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SUBJ: USLO JULY FOURTH RECEPTION

1. A RELAXED AND FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE MARKED THE 1978 USLO JULY FOURTH RECEPTION FOR PRC OFFICIALS HELD IN THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. THE SENIOR OFFICIALS AMONG THE 150 CHINESE WHO ATTENDED WERE MINISTER OF CULTURE (AND FORMER PRCLO CHIEF) HUANG CHEN, VICE FOREIGN MINISTER WANG HAI-JUNG, VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE WANG JEN-SHENG, VICE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY HO KANG, RESPONSIBLE PERSON OF THE COMMISSION FOR SPORTS AND PHYSICAL CULTURE LI MENG-HUA, VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE PEKING REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE WANG HSIAO-YI, VICE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES CHIN LI-SHENG (WHO WAS NOT ISSUED AN INVITATION BUT CAME ANYWAY), VICE PRESIDENT OF CCPIT WANG WEN-LIN, AND CHIEF OF PRCLO AND MRS. CHAI TSE-MIN.

2. ALL OF THE GUESTS REMAINED FOR THE ENTIRE ONE
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HOURLY ALLOTTED FOR THE RECEPTION, AND THIS PROVIDED AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR USLO OFFICERS TO HOLD INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS WITH THEIR CHINESE COUNTERPARTS.

3. CONTRIBUTING TO THE RELAXED AND INFORMAL ATMOSPHERE WERE SONGS BY AMERICAN FOLKSINGER BRUCE HIRD, PLUS THREE VTR MONITORS WHICH SHOWED ICA-PRODUCED TAPES

"VISION USA," AND AN ELECTRONIC TV GAME.

4. AS WAS THE CASE LAST YEAR, THE CHINESE DISPLAYED CONSIDERABLE ENTHUSIASM FOR THE BI-LINGUAL PUBLICATIONS IN THE FIELDS OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY, LITERATURE AND SCIENCE THAT WERE PLACED IN THE RECEPTION AREA AND WERE QUICKLY SNATCHED UP. ABOUT 300 VOLUMES WERE DISTRIBUTED IN THIS FASHION, AND SEVERAL PERSONS ASKED USLO OFFICERS FOR ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE MATERIALS.

5. THE ATTENDANCE OF CHIN LI-SHENG, VICE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, MAY POSSIBLY BE DUE TO THE NEARNESS OF THE PRESS SCIENTIFIC DELEGATION VISIT, BUT HE MAY ALSO HAVE BEEN REPRESENTING THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF CAS, WHO WAS INVITED BUT DID NOT ATTEND.

6. ANOTHER RECEPTION WAS HELD IN THE EVENING FOR THIRD COUNTRY DIPLOMATS AND AMERICAN RESIDENTS OF PEKING. WOODCOCK

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